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Sir:

Re: New United States Patent Application
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
SUPPORTING COMMUNICATIONS
WITHIN A VIRTUAL TEAM
ENVIRONMENT
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Assignee: Nortel Networks Limited and Bell Canada
Our File: 9-13528-143US KD/bm

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION:

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SUPPORTING
COMMUNICATIONS WITHIN A VIRTUAL TEAM
ENVIRONMENT

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- a) Utility Patent Application Transmittal PTO/SB/05
- b) Specification/Claims/Abstract with Declaration/Power of Attorney
- c) Assignment in favor of Nortel Networks Limited and Bell Canada, with Recordation Form PTO-1619A
- d) Formal Drawings (39 Sheets - Figs. 1 - 36)
- e) Information Disclosure Statement with PTO Form 1449
- f) Our cheque No. 006923, Patent Application Fee Determination Record PTO/SB/06 and Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17, covering:
- | | |
|---|------------------|
| Filing Fee | \$ 710.00 |
| Recording of Assignment | \$ 40.00 |
| Total Number of Claims: | 65 |
| Independent claims in excess of 3 (.. @ \$80) | \$ |
| Claims in excess of 20 (45 @ \$18) | \$ <u>810.00</u> |
| Total | \$1,560.00 |

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PATENT APPLICATION
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Attorney Docket No.	9-13528-143US
First Inventor	THOMPSON, Christopher
Title	METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SUPPORTING COMM.
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **144**]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **39**]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages **5**]
 - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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 - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement of Attorney (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
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Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27

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- ☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money
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FEE CALCULATION

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Code	Fee (\$)	Code	Fee (\$)	Description
101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee

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SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 710.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims 65
Independent Claims 2
Multiple Dependent

Extra Claims
-20** = 45
-3** =

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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2)

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	240	126	240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

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